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Dear Sir:

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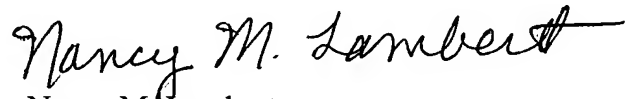
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application. U.S. Patent No. 5,888,621 is the U.S. patent related to WO 95/23739 A1, both of which are listed on the attached 1449 form.

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Applicants request that the foregoing be considered by the Examiner in regard to the present application, and that the Examiner initial and return the enclosed form PTO-FB-A820.

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